

06-03-03 41

1626

Attorney's Docket No. 9065-11

PATENT

JUN 02 2003

JC26  
PATENT & TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re: Caputo et al.

Serial No.: 10/038,554

Group Art Unit: 1626

Filed: January 2, 2002

Confirmation No. 3035

For: SYMMETRIC, MONOFUNCTIONALISED POLYMETHINE DYES LABELLING  
REAGENTS

Date: June 2, 2003

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Sir:

This document is responsive to the Restriction Requirement of March 7, 2003.

**RECEIVED**

JUN 05 2003

TECH CENTER 1600/2900

## REMARKS

In response to the Restriction Requirement of March 7, 2003, and the subsequent Notice of Incomplete Reply dated May 1, 2003, Applicants hereby elect the single species of Example 8, on page 28 namely sulfoindodicarbo-(bromo) cyanine iodide. Applicants believe that such species election will not cause an undue searching burden for the Examiner.

Respectfully submitted,



Michael Sajovec  
Registration No. 31,793



20792

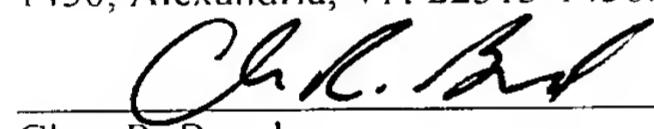
PATENT TRADEMARK OFFICE

## CERTIFICATE OF EXPRESS MAILING

"Express Mail" mailing label number: EV 353592056 US

Date of Deposit: June 2, 2003

I hereby certify that this paper or fee is being deposited with the United States Postal Service "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" service under 37 CFR 1.10 on the date indicated above and is addressed to Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450.



Clara R. Beard